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1. The Italian Government has for some time reportedly been considering the formation of a civilian defense organization, ostensibly for civilian defense, but in reality for the purpose of combatting Communism.
2. On 26 September 1950 the Italian Council of Ministers allegedly approved the draft of a law which will establish a General Directorate for Civilian Defense under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of the Interior.
3. The functions of the new Directorate are to include fire-fighting and defense of the population in the event of a public disaster. Personnel for the Directorate is to be drawn from active civil servants, with an addition of a maximum of one thousand retired civil servants and non-governmental personnel. Volunteers will be accepted for training, and a general conscription of the civilian population is planned if such becomes necessary. In the event of a national emergency, the Minister of the Interior will be authorized to requisition personnel immediately from other Ministries and obtain the concurrence and approval of these Ministries later.
4. Besides the fire-fighting section, there will reportedly also be an anti-parachute section, anti-sabotage squads, a counter-espionage section, and others.

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